CAPITAL HUMBUGS.

The Mediums and Clairvoyants Who Prey Upon the People.

Fortune tellers and clairvoyants form a queer set. They prey upon the superstition and credulity of human nature, for in every city large numbers of people visit them daily. In Washington the number is not so great as in larger cities, but those who are here do a thriving business. People in all grades of society visit them, for superstition is not confined to age, sex or social status.

The other day the writer called upon several of these people, and was surprised at the average uniformity of the story that was told. I first went to Madame Blank. As it was after dark when I rang the bell, I was ushered into a hall which was not very brightly lighted. On making known my desire to see the Madame, I was shown into a room and the door closed. I found myself in absolute darkness, and just at that moment there was a tremendous jur as if some big object had violently fallen, or as if there was an intention to create an impression of fear by what may be called stage thunder.

Had I been at all timid I should have jumped and fled the house at once; but as I had laid for hours night after night on Morris Island listening to the shells as they came from Fort Sumter and the Sullivan Island batteries, and then subsequently had heard the terrible canmonading at Gettysburg, I didn't propose to run until I knew what was the matter.

After a few minutes a woman entered the from bearing a lamp, which she placed upon a small table, and asked me if I desired a sitting. I told her I did, and she then informed me she was Madame Blank. At the same time I discovered she was the identical person who had admitted me to the front door. She asked me if I had any special subject about which I wished to inquire, and I replied that I had not; that I had never had my fortune told, and that I had remited that period in life when I thought it was desirable to know what the future had in store for me. She than set herself on one side of the small table and placed me directly opposite her. She produced a pack of cards and asked me if I could shuffle them.

As I had sat many a night until daybreak over the festive game of draw I imagined I could shuffle to some extent, and I proceeded to give her an artistic exhibition of the manner in which cards could be manipulated by an expert. She then told me to make a wish, cut three times with my left hand, and lay the cards reparately. This I did three times in succession, and each time she went through the separate piles selecting certain cards which she placed in rows upon the table with their faces upward putil the table number reached 15.

She proceeded to tell me what was in those cards for me. I was to receive a letter shortly. That letter was to be about money. There was to be a death in the near future, which would materially alter my plans, but that I would be amass quite a sum of money. There was also a blende woman who was likely to get me into some trouble with a dark woman. This blonde being jenious of my attentions to the aforesaid dark lady; but it would come out all right and I would marry the dark one. She added that would be married twice and would have at least three children.

I suggested that if I was going to marry twice I would have to burry up, but she replied that the cards seemed to indicate that my first wife would not live long, which would give mean opportunity for the second marriage. She was quite emphatic that I would be quite prosperous financially, that I would be longlived, and would pass a peaceful oid age unincumbered by fears of poverty or financial distress. This was all very pleasant, and I asked her how much of what she had told me she

would guarantee as truth. She looked up with an air of injured innowould be true; that she believed implicity in what she had said. I should mention, however, that the cards she used were not the regular playing cards, although they were of the same size and could be used for that purpose. The body of the card was covered by marine to the minimum of \$6 per month? pictures of angels and cherubs, and castles in

lady and befored myself out. My next visit was also to a female fortunetellar who styled herself an astrologist and a the Senator are expressing themselves as quite reader of the stars. Her room was fitted up in | confident of the success of their candidate, a manner to impress the superstitious with | and be haides claim that their candidate wift awe. A great map containing the signs of the have a majority on the first ballot. As the modiac hong against one wall, while there was | nominating capeus will not be held until after pictures of Mephistopheles and other diabolical The National Tribune goes to press, our personages scattered about. The room was readers will have to await our next issue to

admit one individual at a time, asserting that the presence of a third party would destroy the | Disastrons Snowstorm in California Mountinfluence. Although she claimed to read the stars, she also told fortunes by cards, and produced a pack differing from that which I have | storm in the mountains of northern California. heretofore described in that the figures upon A vast amount of damage was done in the town | OHIO. them were those of devils and imps and other of Yreka and vicinity. Streets were blockaded, horrible shapes. The fact that they all use a | hundreds of shade-trees falling from the weight certain method and had a stereotyped story to of the snow. Buildings began falling, and the tell, was illustrated when this second person, fire-bells were rung to call out the citizens. who was a lady evidently of foreign birth, be- Martin & Co.'s large carriage-house was the cause her English was very much broken, told | first to fall with a crash on a number of horses, me practically the same story that I had heard | carriages, a hearse, and spring wagons. Livan not a half hour before. This person added, & Lemay's factory tumbled like a house of however, that I was to take a journey soon, cards. Many dwellings were injured and barns going over the water, and that that journey | caved in, killing horses and cattle. would be the result of the information received least three children.

who has been in the city for a long number of | hours, luckily dropping in a jag just below, on years, and there are those who assert that she | the steep mountain side, rolled up in his as told them some remarkable truths. She blanket. He was rescued without injury. But n dertook to read my future by the palm of | the men escaping from the tunnel had to dig my left hand, and yet, after studying it very | their way through 12 feet of snow and wreckage closely, her story was practically the same as of buildings to reach him. Most of the hands that of the other two. There were slight were at work in the mine at the time. All variations as to detail, but the outline was the blacksmiths', carpenters', and other shops just what had been told me twice before. She in Yrcka caved in from the weight of the suow. was particularly anxious at first to know if I | The snewstorm was accompanied by a terwas in any special trouble, whether of business | rific wind, which bordered on a cyclone, as is or a love affair. When I asserted that I was evidenced by the fact that tops of box-cars not worried over either one of those subjects, | were blown away at the railroad station of Ju- H. McCoy. Council, W. H. Pietcher, C. F. Walshe seemed rather surprised, and said that lien. Trains and mails all through the section ters and A. I. Dehuff. The Delegate to the next people rasely came to her unless they had some | have been delayed. A number of men are respecific inquiry to make.

from the questions asked by her sitters, and express driven from Oak Bar arrived at Yreka Guards, was mustered into the service, Capt. W. that a long experience in the reading of faces on horseback; it being impossible to navi- H. Fietcher being the mustering officer. The comenabled her to follow the train of the sitter's gate the road with any kind of wheel vehicle thoughts and wishes with tolerable accuracy, or sleigh owing to numerous trees cov-In reading the lines of my hand she said some ering the road along the river gulch and truths in regard to incidents that had happened | Klamath River. For 48 hours in Yreka snowin my life, but they were only those that any | shovelers were in great demand at \$1 an hour, one might have guessed without having any clearing off roofs and making paths through previous knowledge of the circumstances.

My last visit was to a clairvoyant. I found her to be a light-haired woman, with large, full, blue eyes sunk deeply in her head, and a tired, care-worn look on her face. She said she was both a healing medium and a reader Division, will be the heaviest loser by the of future destiny. She took my hand and recent storm, as all trains have been more or then went into a trance, but how far she was less delayed for the past week or more, one absolutely unconscious it was difficult for me to determine.

I was skeptical as to the reality of her trance, quantity of freight. because when she began to talk she told very nearly the same story that I had already listened to three times. She made a variation in the statement that I was intended for some public position which would give me an op- dian Territory. Dancing has been going on portunity to influence large bodies of people; among the hills for several days, and the craze | if I'm ugly. I want you to put me off at Syrathat I had the leadership faculty largely de- is spreading. The leaders are Whirlwind and | cuse. veloped; that my powers of imagination were Old Crow, of the Cheyennes, and Left Hand, great; that I was fond of music; the arts, and | the head chief of the Arrapahoes. of the pleasures of social life.

change in business matters, which would re | sre from 1,000 to 1,200 present. They declare suit very materially to my advantage, and that the Messiah, who is to expel the whites warned me against a man, who she said was | bringing back the buffalo and restoring their meither a blonde nor a brunet, but midway be- bunting grounds to the Indians, is soon coming tween, and to whom I must be cantious in and that the ghost dance will be kept up day giving my confidence, as he was untrustworthy and night till he arrives. The Army officers of and would betray any secret I might repose in | most experience in Indian warfare are not in-

questions and then hesitating at times for some | winter campaign. minutes before the answers came. When she declared that there was more to say and began to arouse herself from her cataleptic state, some of her struggles were really painful to Whitman, was at the last accounts unchanged. witness. If they were genuine they must tell He has been given up several times by his fearfully upon her system, and if they are simp. | physicians, but takes nourishment in small lated, the woman was a supurb actress, and quantities, and despite his advanced age, the could make more money on the stage.

I saked her how long she had been doing this | recover.

sort of thing, and she said for about 10 years. I asked her if she believed in it. She replied that she did, firmly, that her whole life had been mapped out to her when she was but a girl, and that everything that had been told

her had been verified. This woman differed from the others in that she was suffering from a severe cold, which kept her coughing both when in her natural and in the cataleptic state. She said that it was strange that nothing gave her such relief as rock and rye, and she had a bottle of that seductive beverage, from which she took frequent drafts both before she went into her trance and after she recovered consciousness, She didn't invite me to participate, however, although I coughed several times as a hint that I had a cold, too.

The peculiar thing to me was that none of the women had asked me whether I was married. They all took it for granted I was single. As I have stated, each predicted that I would children. Inasmuch as I have lived pleasantly | ILLINOIS. with my wile for a quarter of a century, during which time I have been the father of 10 children, the prediction that my first wife Lieut. Melvin Crown; Council, Henry Tschupp, with my wife for a quarter of a century, durwould not live long and that I would thus become a widower, struck me as rather comical,

My conclusions from the visits that I made are those which every sensible man must reach method of telling the future, neither by cards, by the stars, or through mediumistic influence. The whole attempt at reading life by so-called a grand humbug. Their business is simply to play upon the credulity and superstition of people and to filch from them their hard-carned dollars. It is a swindle of the worst stamp, and ought to be prohibited by law .- F. T. H.

SHERMAN VS. FORAKER. A Close and Exciting Contest for the Ohio Senator-

The Ohio Senatorial contest is at its hight, the forces of Senator Sherman and ex-Gov. B. Corbin, Foraker at the present writing being engaged in the final struggle for supremacy. In the opening round, which is claimed by the Sherman faction to have been conducted on Senatorial lines-that is, the election of Speaker of the lower House, the Shermanites gained a | was the gift of Mrs. Munch and Mrs. Wilson. Comvictory, electing Representative Laylin over Representative McGrew, the former being an avowed Sherman man, while the latter is a supporter of the ex-Governor, Gov. Foraker's several of their party voted for Laylin, who will vote for the Governor for Senator, they General. having been committed to Laylin before the Senatorial question was broached.

Nearly all the members of the Legislature on the Republican side have declared themselves one way or the other, and on Monday a contested seat in the Senate was filled by a strict party vote, Senator Iden being seated. As soon as he was sworn in, the Senator declared | MISSOURI. for Sherman. Another Senator, Rawlings, who has been an avowed Foraker adherent, came out in a card on Monday, Jan. 4, stating that carly part of January, being the guest of Maj. Win. Warner, Camp 36, at Kansas City, on the evening he had been for Gov. Foraker all along, and his personal preferences were still for him; that at of the brothers of the surrounding Camps as can the time he committed himself to the Governor | conveniently be there. he believed the state of public sentiment was such that he would be warranted in supporting Foraker; but later expressions of public sentiment from various sources have since reached him, and he feels that his duty to his condesired to do, and he will consequently vote for

On the other hand much dispute has arisen over a letter written by Gen. Boynton, of Washington, defending Senator Sherman's labor record and ridiculing a "labor committee" that is now working in Columbus against Mr. Sherman. On Monday last the labor committee sent the following dispatch to Gen. Boynton:

The Republican platforms of 1880, 1884 and 1888 edged the passage of the acts for the exclusion of ie Chinese, and by voting against them John Sherman sat himself above his party. Would be have "chanced it" had be been comjusted for the Presidency, or would be have tried to deceive the people on the Pacific Slope? Will you inform us why he voted against the equalization of bonnconce, and said she hoped the majority of it | ties in 1875 and against the arrears of pensions act of 1884, which his party pledged itself to pass? Why did he oppose the passage of a bill to increase the pension to \$24 a month of soldiers who had lost an arm, and who were only receiving \$18 per month, and why did he vote against Mr. Logan's bill to limit the pension of any soldier, sailor, or

The Sherman forces treat the efforts of what of Veternes. the air, while in the upper left hand corner | they style this "self-appointed labor committhere were regular spots or faces that belonged | tee " with contempt, and express indignation to an ordinary pack. In the upper right-hand that Senator Sherman, the brother of the great corner each card hore a letter. When she was | Gen. Sherman, should be accused of unfriendliarranging the cards in rows I endeavored to ness to the Union soldier. Neither the labor see if these letters could be made to spell any organizations nor the Farmers' Alliance are particular word. But I failed to see that they factors in this contest, however, the Repubcould. After the sitting was over I paid the licans having such a decided majority on joint

ballot as to make them of little importance. The friends of both the ex-Governor and barren of furniture save a table and two chairs. learn who will be the successor to Hon. John She was extremely cautions, and would only | Sherman in the United States Senate.

nius. Details have been received of a terrific snow-

At a village known as Humbug an avalanche in that letter. Her story was identical in the of snow came down on the buildings of the respect that I should be married twice, adding | Spencer Quartz Mine and swept them off in a the statement that I should be the father of at | complete wrock, three men asleep at the time having a very narrow escape from death. The The next visit that I made was to a woman | cook was buried in the debris for about seven

ported as having perished in the snow, which She admitted that she usually took her cue in many places was fully 15 feet deep. The the night of Dec. 11, Co. A, of the First Regiment the main strests of the town. Owing to the heavy snow, mining operations have been sus-

northern California will be heavy. The Central Pacific Railroad, on its Oregon passenger train being snowbound for 16 hours. No attempt has been made to move any great

The Ghost Dance. The Messiah craze has broken out afresh among the Cheyennes and Arrapahoes in In-

At first the gathering was small, but Indians She also said that I would soon have a great | have been streaming into camp until now there clined to believe that any outbreak will occur She probably talked for 20 minutes, asking | at present, as the Indians have a horror of a | in a sling.

Walt Whitman Still Alive. The condition of "the good gray poet," Walt doctors now think there is a chauce for him to

News from the Various Divisions. Elections of Officers, etc.

[To Camp Commanders: THE NATIONAL TEIR-UNE wants a correspondent in every Camp in the untry, that the Order at large may know what the brothers in each individual Camp are doing; how many members there are: what the ratio o progress is in muster; what entertainments and other events are being gotten up for the interest of the Order, and to keep constantly before the public the purposes and work of the Sons of Veterans. Let THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE know these things. It will gladly publish all items of this character, Will you depute some one to correspond with us? We desire the names of all new Camp officers, Please have the same written be married twice, two of them going so far as clearly, in ink, following the form below, in order to assert that I should be the father of three to insure accuracy.—Entron National Tribune.]

L. R. Traverse, H. Treuthart.

J. J.: Gen. George Crook, of Plymouth, is very active. At a Campfire recently there was much who investigates the subject. There is no enthusiasmend an attractive program. The G.A.R. attended in large numbers, and Col. J. W. Newton was present. Fouriera Camps were represented Gen. George Crook Camp was mustered in with 19 members by Capt. F. M. Pickerl, of Argos, on May fortune-tellers, astrologers, or chirvoyants, is 9, 1830, a few days after Gen. Crook's death in a grand humber. Their business is simply to Chicago. The present membership is about 33, Licut, David McDuffle, the first to sign the charter list, and Chap, Hugh M. Barnhill, the second, were buried within a few days of each other last Summer. The Camp was honored very soon after its birth by the appointment of one of its members to a position on the Colonel's staff, R. B. Oglesbee having been made Mustering Officer of the Division at the Evansville Encampment, which office he filled notil he was promoted, at the Lafayette Encomponent, to the position of Judge-Advocate. J. E. Written, 297, Koicen—Com., D. H. Mitchell; S. V. C., John W. Mitchell; J. V. C., R. A. Hadson; Council, J. W. Mitchell, W. H. Mansfield and D.

On Dec. 12, Cen. G. F. Wiles, 132, Halstead, was presented with a life-size crayon portrait, in a giltand plush frame, of Gen. G. F. Wiles, after whom the Camp was named. This handsome portrait mander James Falkner, who had just been elected commander, accepted the portrait on behalf of the Camp. He paid glowing tributes to Gen. Wiles, and but voiced the sentiments of the membership in slating that the spirit of loyalty, as interpreted dherents do not admit this claim, saying that by the brave boys in blue and by Gen. Wiles particular, would find a lodging place in the hearts of the boys of the Camp named after the

> Camp 1, St. Paul-Com., George W. Harding; S. V. C., Walter Mitchell; J. V. C., A. L. Bowker; Council, E. H. Milham, J. P. Potter, A. T. Spicer. Camp 77, Madelia-Com., W. A. Mullen; S.V. C. U. S. Whaler; J. V. C., Wm. Maherry; Council, E. Crandall, J. G. Haycraft, J. R. Pettis.

Col. Frauenthal will visit the various Camps in Troyato; Worcester's Pocket Dictionary, Primthe northwestern part of the Division during the

To those brothers who have been elected to fill the offices in the Camps throughout this Division the Division officers send their heartiest congratuintions and fraternal greetings. May the new year prove to be one of uninterrupted success, one of unbounded enthus:asm, and one of unimpeachable stituents forbids his voting as he expected and integrity in our relations between each other Many officers will enter into a new field of duty, spening a new life to them, fraught with many in ortant duties and responsibilities. They should be careful in the selection of their associate officers and the appointment of their staff. The new year requires much work to be done in the ranks, Many Camps have drifted into a dormant state Many have become indifferent to their duties, in different to their invaluable beritage, through the actions of officers and men. Where the position of the Camps called for unremitting zeal and a lofty ambition on the part of their officers, it was often supplied with perfunctory service and indifferent enthusiasm. The first duty of the incoming officers in many instances will be to reinvigorate the sing gish enthusiasm of the entire Camp. It may be recessary, in order to recomplish the fall measure of the intended benefits, to weed out or reorganize to some extent a part of the membership. It is not however, advisable to carry this into effect excepin the most extreme cases. Renewing confidence n the integrity of the members, and expressing hest wishes for a prosperous year to all, the Divison officers are ready to place all necessary faith i the judgment and intropidity of the new Camp officers, in the spirit of an earnest desire that Missouri may again be found on guard with her full quota of well-disciplined, self-respecting, law-abiding Sons

NEW JERSEY. The 10th annual Encampment, following so close on the case of this quarter, it is hoped that Installing Officers will be prompt in sending their reports

The following amendment to the Division By-Laws has been submitted by Dayton Camp, 5: Strike out the words 'third Thursday in February ' in Sec. 1, of Art. 1, and insert 'second Monday The name of the Commander of Kearny Camp, 20, is Joseph Cabill. The name of James Cabil

was given by mistake in a recent order from Head counters. The Proceedings of the 10th Annual Encampment of the Commundery-in-Chief at Minneapolis are in the hands of Division Quarternuster flamer One copy will be sent to each Camp upon receipt of eight cents to pay postage. It was omitted in last order to give credit to Past Colonel F. D. Morse and Past Lieutenant-Colonel

C. C. Tucker for their good work in New Brunsick. Phil Kenray Camp, 20, is again with us turough their efforts. The new Camp Rules and Regulations of the Order are now ready. Requisitions for same will be filed at Headquarters in the order in which they

Albert Galloway, 175, Xenia-Capt., Churles W. Chandler; First Lieut., J. E. Kelley; Second Lieut., George P. Andrews; Council, William E. Kuiseley, J. E. Wott, A. E. McQuiston.

RHODE ISLAND. W. H. H. Tanner, Olneyville: The following notion was unanimously passed at a regular meeting of Gen. A. E. Burnside Camp, Providence, on ammendation of the Captain commanding, and with the approval of the State Board and Superintendent Hall, of the State Home for Soldiers and dlors: "That a library be established at the State Home for Soldiers and Sailors of our late civil war, the same to be known as the Gen. A. E. Burnside Camp 5 Collection," In pursuance of said resolution, and feeling that our patriotic citizens would like to contribute toward making this collection not only one of interest and benefit to the inmates of the Home, but also one that will do honor and erdit to Rhode Island's brave and Christain soldier. Gen. A. E. Burnside, we adopt this method in asking that you assist us by contributing one or more volumes, your name to be written on the fly-leaf and sent to Leith & Danforth, 163 Westminster street, Providence, or Schoffeld & Co., Irons Block, Olneyville. Contributions of money will be thankfully received, the same to be used in the binding of unbound magazines, etc. A postal-card will receive prompt attention.

On Dec. 9 Sprague Camp, 4, of Tacoma, held its annual election of officers, the result of which is: Com., A. R. Heilig; S. V. C., H. J. Rand; J. V. C., C Department Encomponent which is to be held at Hoquinan during the last week in June, is James tions for the aunual ball to be given at Armory Hall on Washington's Birthday, and it is expected pended. The loss throughout the towns in | that it will far surpass the last one, which was

Put Me Off at Syracuse. [Clothier and Furnisher.]

ramming the bright coin into his trousers pocket. "It shall be did, sah!" The next morning the coin-giver was awakened by a stentorian voice calling. "Roches-Thirty minutes for refreshments!" "Rochester?" he exclaimed, sitting, up.

Where is that --- coon?" Hastily slipping on his tronsers, he went in head in a bandage, his clothes torn and his arm | is this one, by Morton and St. Germaine, which "Well," says the drummer, "you are a sight, | ignorant whelp shrinks." In our opinion,

Been in an accident? Why din't you put me however, the neatest one is that by Frantz, off at Syracuse?" "Wha-at!" ejaculated the porter jumping to his feet, as his eyes bulged from his head. Was you de gen'man what guf ter me a fivedoliah gold piece?"

"Of course I was, you idiot!"

not. Nut's solvers' list is growing larger with

well den, befoah de Lawd, who was dat each issue, and we predict that his department gemman I put off at Syracuse?"

ited from every reader of THE NATIONAL TAIBUSE Write puzzles on one side of paper, spart from other communications. Address everything per-taining to this department to "Puzzle Editor," THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, Washington, D. C.]

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Quiet, calm deliberation Disentangles every knot." -THE GONDOLIERS.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN NO. 22. 191—Snapped-appends. 194—Ho-me. 192-WEASAND 193-SARAWAR SPIRAN ALIBERT WAVESON EIZING ABRIDGE NIANGUA ACEROSE DANGEAU KESTNER 198-BOMBAST 199-WACEDAH C AZA LE T E MANANT DELATOR A DENOS E MONTESA RASSES HATTREE 197-Low-how. 200-Fall-over-coat. 196- D APLOMES ALLOWABLE SPAGYRIST LEOWGREASE

DAISYCUTTER TAMARINDS HUMBLED PRANCER DAMNATION ARAUCANIA ABBAGETREE RINCIPALLY INCAPABLE PALTERERS DORRS RILLE

Authors of the above: R. O. Chester, Kosciusko McGinty, Taters, Aspiro, Damon, K. T. Did, Guidon, Jack O'Lantern, J. C. M., Nestor, Cinders and Asian, in numerical order.

SOLVERS.

Complete Lists: Horizon, Zenith, Damon, G. Race, Alumnus, R. O. Chester, Xiphias, -7 Incomplete Lists: Eglantine, Waldemar, White lume, E. Lucy Date, Kosciusko McGinty, Will U. Smyle, Fidelio, Diana, Junius, Aspiro, Tunste, Maude, A. Solver, Nemo, Jo Mullins, Harry, Palias, M. C. S., Lord Baltimore, Rosebug, Ellsworth, Jack O'Lantern, T. Hinker, J. C. M., Primrose, W. D., Pat Riot, Alexander, Rokeby, B. Ver, Phonog, Ben Trovato, B. Wilder, Rex Ford.—34, Total, 41,

PRIZE WINNERS. Statesmen's Dishes, E. Lucy Date; Artistic Em-roidery, Roseling; Uncle Daniel's Story, Ben rose: same, Aspiro.

NEW PUZZLES,-NO. 28.

NO. 261-NUMERICAL. Not every 1, 2, 3 alive May own a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; But if his fortune such should be, He needs must have a 1, 2, 3, Four, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, ton, And live in a state as others do. Given all these one may be sure That troops of friends he will secure; But, then, this query will arise, Which many ask, while none replies: Are those who for his favor strive Friends to the 1, 2, 3-4, 5-One, 2, 3, 4, 5-4, 5 great One, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Nine, 10? Solve me this question, please; The puzzle you'll see through with ease.

-M. C. S., Springfield, Ill. NO. 262-SQUARE. 1. A kind of tabor, used by the Moors, 2. Masses nervous matter on either side of the third venicle of the brain, 3, A fabric with a watered surface, 4, Food, 5, Noxious, 6, Tolessen, (Obs.) -MAHDEA, New York City. 7. Miniatures.

NO. 263-CHARADE. The FIRST is a slight or a gash; The TOTAL will PRIMAL YOUR LAST; To eatch him you'll have to be fast, For he'il run like the dence, And its small sort of use To try to recover the cush,

NO. 264-DIAMOND. 1. A letter, 2. A creamy matter produced by 3. Incleances for small domestic supporation. animals, 4. Made a certain shot in billiards. Cases of strong paper filled with a combination of iter, sulphur and mealed powder. 6. Unusual. Half-hourly. S. A nation of Africa. (Wore.) 9. | and were carried out of the hurrying, tramp-A State of Maiwa, Bengul, India. (Bijou.) 10. An | Jing crowd by stalwart policemen. East Indian timber tree. 11 A letter.

-Inon Mask, Batavia, N. Y.

-Maud Lynn, Baltimore, Md. NO. 265-CHARADE, I furnish solvers with a clue, Their labors to assist; From Webster they may find the cue

For FIRST in "to resist." LAST's obsolete, bear that in mind, Twill help you in your wrestle; 'Tis found in Webster, and defined 'The pilot of a vessel."

With these broad hints to work upon You'll flad no baffling maze, or, I you need another one. Find TOTAL "a star gazer." -Nyas, Washington, D. C.

NO. 266-SQUARE. 1. P. O., Boone Co., Ind. 2 Town of the Canaries. 3. More sedate. 4. American naval officer, 1778-1869, 5. One of the towns in the allotment of Benjamin. (Smith.) 6. To subjugate. 7. The portico in front of ancient churches. -ALEXANDER, West Gray, Mo.

NO. 267-CHARADE. " Please LAST some trimming for my gown," She said, as he was going to town, "And see you do not ALL; FIRST I would not so shabby be That people would make fun of me

When I go out to call." -AIDYL, Waite, Me.

NO. 268-DIAMOND. 1. A letter. 2. A little copper cup in which a amond is held while being cut, 3. French physiian, 1567-1632. 4. A secondary nut. 5. An extract. Plants of the genus Arabis.
 A parish of England, in Northumberland.
 A district of Africa. A river of Russia. 10, A male nickname, 11, A -CLOVES, Philadelphia, Pa.

As Answers and solvers will be given in six

CHAT WITH CONTRIBUTORS. Contributions have been received and accepted from T. Hinker, Mahdea, Alexander, you meant dollars." H. Junett, with E. E. Salisbury as alternate. On Jack O'Lantern, M. C. S., Nyas and Arcanus. -Rosebug will please favor us with her went out and treated themselves. name and address, so that the prize awarded pany is to be known as the Sprague Rifles, and is her may be properly forwarded. - While in composed entirely of members from Sprague | New York, it was our pleasure to attend the Camp. After the muster the following officers | wedding of University and Lemoil. We look were elected: Capt., B. W. Coiner; First. Lieut.,
James Ross; Second Lieut., A. L. Dehuff. Sprague back with pleasure to the time when University Camp has the honor of forming and mustering late | ity visited this city, and we extend, on behalf he S. V. Guards the first company on the Pacific of the Washingtonians, hearty congratulations | them run wild and nest in their woods and Const. Camp 4 is also making extensive prepara- on the occasion of his becoming a benedict .-We are pleased to have with us this week as a or cook the pea-chicks. If they did, they contributor, Mahdea, of New York City, whose | would perhaps take more pains to rear these sunced the most successful ever given at the | work is very seldom seen in these days. From | birds for the table. The meat is very white, the tone of his remarks to us, however, we infer and of exceedingly fine and close grain, and that he will take a greater interest in puzzling | has the true game flavor, with none of the in the future, and we hope to receive more of stringiness of the common turkey. The Amerhis work .- A. Solver is awarded the prize for | ican wild turkey is, however, an even finer "Now, see here, porter," said he briskly, "I the first solution to D. Bee's cryptogram, and | bird for the table than the peacock. Those want you to put me off at Syracuse. You know Iron Mask for R.O. Chester's transposition .-- | which appear in the poulterers' shops of Lonwe get in there about 6 o'clock in the morning, Washington wanted the next Convention, but | don generally arrive in such bad condition and I may oversleep myself. But it is impor- she did not send a delegation sufficiently large from careless packing and refrigerating that taut that I should get out. Here's a five-dollar to down the New York boys, who favored they are inferior to the domestic bird. But gold piece. Now, I may wake up hard, for I've Boston. The last Convention held in the when allowed to run wild and nest in English been dining to night and will probably feel | Capital City was on July 4, 1889, at which | woods, as is done on some estates, on its merits rocky. Don't mind if I kick. Pay no attention | time Planet was the President of the League. | and apart from any tricks of cookery, it is -From Arty Fishel we learn that the perhaps the very best land bird that is avail-Crystal Palace Monthly has suspended, and able for food. The game flavor is not too pro-"Yes, sah," answered the sturdy Nubian, that the Philadelphians will reissue the nounced, but gives a character to the whole Diamond Club Courier. The Christmas numbers of the Study and Key, in magazine turkeys of the farmyard. form, have been received, and both are replete with good things, the former containing three giant forms by A. F. Holt, and the latter a square by Bolis, completed from a wreck given by him to Planet. The December number of Esoteries contains some very intersearch of the object of his wrath, and found esting anagrams on the name of its editor, him in the porter, scloset, huddled up, with his Ralph Washington Skinner Among others

would be most expressive were it true: "An

which states that "he wins rank on right

plans."---H. S. Nut comes out with the second Bingo-I have made a firm resolve. After report of the convention, in which we notice that he still construes the name of our Boston the first of the year I am going to get up every morning at 6 o'clock. friend to be Sphynx. Y he does this we know Mrs. Bingo-What are you going to do then? Bingo-I am going to pull down those couwill be more interesting this year than any. | founded blinds so the light won't disturb me,

-Empty was in New York on Christmas Day, but did not attend the convention. --- We presume Nypho has left Earl's Hotel by this time. -- Next week we shall inaugurate a new prize tournament. Watch for it.

A FORTUNE IN A GRIP. Col. Bobleter's Little Satchel Contained \$1,200,000 in Bonds. [St. Paul Globe,]

State Treasurer Bobleter, of Minnesota, left St. Paul last week for New York. There was nothing especially interesting in this single statement, and only two or three attaches of the little yellow grip which the Treasurer carried in his hand contained \$1,200,000. This almost inconceivable sum was in the shape of bonds duly attested and signed by the Governor and Secretary of the State of Minnesota, and was folded in a small package about the size of an ordinary law book. Rather than trust to the uncertainty of an express company in this age when the train robber is abroad seeking whom he may touch, Col Bobleter concluded to personally convey the precious package to its destination, where it will be used to liquidate other bonds of a like sum, the advantage of the transfer lying in the fact that those issued will bear only 31 ber cent., while the old ones bore 41 Col. Bobleter's errand, of course, is a secret one, and had the fact of his going been advertised, the errand would have been by no means a desirable one, as the bonds in their present shape are negotiable paper. But now, that he is practically at his journey's end, no harm can he done by the publication of these facts. Besides, the gallant Colonel carried with him certain forcible arguments, which he would readily use to the best advantage were he molested in the discharge of his duty; and it would be a very bad man, as well as a very dead man, who would undertake to monkey with that little yellow grip as long as it was in the Colonel's charge.

Entirely Dead. [San Diegan.]

While the gently falling rain was doing the best business that could be done for San Diego County to-day a group of old-timers gathered in an up-town office and fell to telling old-time form of a joke on Julian, as Julian was in the

An old miner named Tim was found dead in his cabin one morning, said the story-teller, There appeared to be a lingering idea that something official ought to be done, but nobody knew exactly what until a stranger in camp said an inquest ought to be held to determine

whether the man was dead or not. "But how shall we find that out?" asked the Justice of the Peace, whose position forced him

"Why, by holding a regular inquiry," was the answer. "All right," said the Justice, "We'll hold a

regular inquiry. Bring in the body." The body was brought in and the court was called to order. When everybedy was quiet has taken up McEnery as its candidate and is the Justice arose with commendable dignity, abusing Nicholls. Like St. Paul, it is all things walked over to the side of the deceased, and, | to all men, but there the resemblance stops. leaning down, shouted in the dead man's ear: Its course has been marked by bribery from "Say, Tim, come take a drink."

Of course there was no answer. The "inquiry" was repeated three times. Then the Justice returned to his beach to

make his announcement. "We find that Tim is dead," he said. "Any man in Julian that won't get up and take a drink when he's asked to is dead. This inquiry is closed."

Panic at Independence Hall.

[Philadelphia Times.] The crowd that surged around Independence Hall at midnight was the most disorderly in the local history of New Year's Eves. Chestnut street, from Fifth to Sixth, was an impassable mass of struggling men and boys, women and girls, the intersecting streets themselves,

for a square on either side, being similarly blocked. The authorities had been thoughtful enough to station 25 or 30 of the biggest and strongest police reserves at this point, and it was owing to this precaution alone that a serious panie

When the bell in the lofty steeple struck the seemed to take possession of the crowd. A number of men and boys drew revolvers from their pockets and began firing wildly into the air. Some were too drunk to be care- air. ful, and several bullets whistled through bats and bonnets. Women shrieked and fainted

The reserves charged right and left, and didn't besitate to knock down and collar every man flourishing a gun. Far a while things mob of drunken men and boys. The policemen drew their black jacks in some cases before they could intimidate their prisoners, and when it was all over astonishment

was expressed on all sides that no fatalities had occurred. Not one of the Reserve Corps was without a cious celebrators.

A Misanderstanding.

[New York Sun.] A well-dressed man, with his hat tilted back standing. The man slapped his hand imperatively on the counter. "I want a quarter 'v' a million," he cried, "and I want it quick." The clerks turned pale and stared at the stranger. A porter slid quietly to the door to fellows, anyhow?" he cried, "Can't I get a 1886 to 1892."

quarter 'v' a million without all of you having fits?" "Pray, sir, don't get excited," said a clerk, patting the man on the arm. "The porter has just gone after it. We can't get so much money

in a second, you know." The stranger looked thoughtful a moment, then laughed, and the laugh gave the clerks another unpleasant shock. "Ha! ha!" said the stranger. "I see, I see.

Don't get alarmed. I merely want paintpaint, not cash. A quart of vermillion paint." The clerks recovered their self-possession. "I beg your pardon," said one, "but you talked so fast that it sounded as if you had demanded a quarter of a million. We thought The stranger got his paint, and the clerks

Peacocks for Binner. What roast swan is to roast goose, such is roast peacock to roast turkey. Many owners of country houses who keep peacocks, and let shrubberies, take little trouble either to fatten which is altogether absent in the tame black

Here is a Cure for " La Grippe." EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: As a great

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The Lottery Company in Louisiana Politics.

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The Elephants of King Alexander. [St. Nicholan.]

Alexander was proud of the huge elephants of his court and fond of showing their intelligence; and the trainer who succeeded in making the elephant accomplish the most wonder-

ful deeds was highly honored. On one occasion some elephants were being shown to an eminent General, when the latter remarked that evidently they could perform any service that a man could. "They might even bridge a stream," he added,

No sooner were the words uttered than a signal was given and the herd was marched into a stream that rushed by the camp. The well-trained animals waded into the water, which was four or five feet deep, and arranged themselves side by side, some heading up-stream, and others down. Men now ran forward with planks, which were placed against pads upon the backs of the animals, phant bridge was ready, over which the soldiers passed, while the buge animals trumpeted

On another occasion one of the Generals of the army, who had displayed especial bravery, was ordered before the Chief, who publicly the handsomest Calendar on the market,

"Even my elephants," said one of the elephantarchs, "can distinguish the hero," At this the crowd fell back, and a gorgeously looked serious, for half the crowd was a raging ornamented elephant approached, bearing in its army badges. Sent to any address, securely trunk a wreath of oak-leaves. Walking up to the hero of the hour, it dropped upon its knees, placed the wreath upon the officer's head, and then retired amid the shouts of the admiring \$1. Address-

soldiers. Undoubtedly the driver who sat upon the animal's head had much to do with this perprisoner or a captured revolver, and the cells at | formance, but we must admit that the elephant the City Hall were crowded with these injudi- exhibited wonderful Intelligence in so exactly

carrying out orders. Union Veterans' Union.

John A. Logan Command, of Washington, held its installation ceremonies at Monumental on his ruffled hair, and an excited look in his | Hall Jan. 4. The officers are: Col., Stephen eyes, entered Devoe's art store, at 101 Fulton | W. Baxter; Lieut.-Col., Charles E. Hooks; street, Wednesday afternoon, and stalked up to | Maj., Samuel W. Baxter; Surg., J. C. Peacoek; the counter, behind which several clerks were | Chap., W. D. Yingling; O. G., J. Donivan; O. D., James Kernan. At the close of the installation ceremonies the retiring Commander, Col. William Irving, was presented by the organization with a handsome gold-headed cane, which here the following inscription, viz., "To get a policeman. The well-dressed but excited | Col. William Irving from comrades of John A. atranger stared at the clerks in astonishment. | Logan Command, U. V. U., as a token of esteem "What the dickens is the matter with you and appreciation of his services as Colonel from

The samewhat functful pletors above was angrested by the genuine pleasure and high spirits shown by one of roykers. When he applied to me he was making just a living, we wary little more. I taught him. I caused him to go us work. in his propert sireation; and he quickly began to to rate of Over Three Thousand Bollars a Year. Is there a lesson or suggestion here for you reader? Probably you can make just as much money as he. Why not try? I undertake to briefly teach any fairly intelligent person of either sox, who can read and write, and who, after instrustion, will work industriously here to sure Three. Thousand sivned Boiliace in Years in their own localities, wherever they live. I will also furnish the situation or employment, at which you can earn that amount. I charge nothing and receive nothing, unloss successful as above. Nothing difficult to fearn, or that requires much time. I desire hat one person from each district or county. I have already taught and profiled with amployment a large number, who are making over Three Thousand Bollars a year such. Here is something new and solid. Full particulars Free, After you know all, if you conclude to go no further, why, no harmle done. Those who feel interested are juvited to write at once. promise con my special personal attention. Addres E. C. A.L.E.N. Borg total, Augusta, Maine. Mention The National Tribuna.

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